Title: Requests the Central Government to cancel the global tenders issued by IRE, a public sector undertaking.

SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN (QUILON): Sir, I want to raise a very serious matter.

प्रो. सैफ़ुद्दीन सोज़ : इस वक्त भी कुछ कहिए। मंडे को दूसरे मिनिस्टर साहब जवाब देंगे।

... (व्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Premchandran, I will give you one minute.
SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : The Government of India, Department of Atomic Energy by virtue of their Resolution on the "Policy on Exploitation of Beach Sand Minerals" dated 6th October, 1998 have made fundamental changes in the mining policy especially of beach sand minerals. It is to be noted that the Atomic Energy Act of 1962 which goes to say that Monocites, Illuminites, Rudites and Zircon, all these four beach sand minerals are described as "prescribed elements" on which only the Department of Atomic Energy has got any authority to do anything.
What has happened is, in the year 1991, the Industrial Policy Resolution has said that only the public sector undertakings are having the authority in mining and mineral separation of these beach sand minerals. In India, there are only two PSUs, one is the IRE and the other is the KMML, and both are in my constituency. What is important is...(Interruptions)
MR. SPEAKER: Please conclude Shri Premchandran.
SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : It is a very important and serious matter. Monocide which is having an element of Thorium is used for bomb explosion. The national security of the country has also been threatened. What the IRE have done is that they have invited a global tender...(Interruptions)
MR. SPEAKER: Shri Raghuvansh Prasad Singh to speak. Now you have to complete.
... (Interruptions)
SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : Sir, I would like to have a response from the Government. Recently a National Security Council has been formed and five members are there. The former Defence Minister is also a member of that Council. It is a threat to the national security and also it will affect the stability of the two public sector undertakings. So, I would urge upon the Government to cancel the global tenders issued by the IRE. It concerns the national security as well as the public sector undertakings which are in crisis. I would like to have a response from the hon. Minister...(Interruptions)
MR. SPEAKER: Shri Raghuvansh Prasad Singh. Shri Premchandran, please take your seat.
... (Interruptions)
MR. SPEAKER: It will not go on record.
(Interruptions)*

श्री रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह (वैशाली): अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं संवैधानिक सवाल उठाना चाहता हूं।

... (व्यवधान)

SHRI N.K. PREMCHANDRAN : The matter was raised in the National Security Council. Kindly give a direction to have a response...(Interruptions)

श्री रघुवंश प्रसाद सिंह : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं संवैधानिक मर्यादा का सवाल उठाना चाहता हूं।

MR. SPEAKER: This will not go on record.

(Interruptions)*

MR. SPEAKER: Please take your seats. Shri Shailendra Kumar to speak.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: This will not go on record.

(Interruptions) *

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Madan Lal Khurana to present the Report of the Business Advisory Committee.

* Not Recorded.

** Expunged as ordered by the Chair.